



THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

CONSOLIDATED PLAN ADVISORY BOARD NOTES FOR SPECIAL MEETING

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10, 2013

SAN DIEGO CIVIC CONCOURSE
NORTH TERRACE ROOMS 207–209
202 'C' STREET
SAN DIEGO, CA 92101

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT	BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT
William Moore, Council District 1, Chair Vicki Granowitz, Council District 3, Vice Chair Audie de Castro, Council District 4 Robert McNamara, Council District 6 Aaron Friberg, Council District 8	Sam Duran, Council District 5 Michael C. Morrison, Mayor's Office

STAFF PRESENT	ATTENDANCE SHEET
Eliana Barreiros, Acting Program Administrator, CDBG Ulysses Panganiban, Project Manager, CDBG	<ul style="list-style-type: none">20 people signed the attendance sheet

Call to Order

- Chair Moore called the Board meeting to order at 8:35 a.m.

Staff Announcements

- The City Council approved on March 25, 2013, the list of projects to be funded using the City's Fiscal Year 2014 CDBG entitlement allocation from HUD. The Mayor approved the resolution (R-308064) on March 28, 2013.
- Abbas Rastandeh, CDBG Project Manager, and Trevor Howell, CDBG Project Manager, were introduced as new staff. Each one briefly shared their background and areas of responsibility.

- Sam Duran, Board member representing Council District 5, will be absent due to surgery.

Board Announcements

- Mr. de Castro expressed disagreement with some of the comments made at the March 25, 2013 City Council hearing regarding the Board's process for scoring and ranking the Fiscal Year 2014 CDBG applications.
- Ms. Granowitz and Mr. Moore agreed with Mr. de Castro's comments.
- Mr. McNamara mentioned that he addressed some of the same City Council comments during the non-agenda public comment portion of the City Council hearing on March 26, 2013.
- Mr. Moore, Ms. Granowitz, and Mr. de Castro expressed a desire to include in the May 2013 agenda an item to debrief on the March 25, 2013 City Council hearing.

Non-Agenda and Agenda Public Comment

- R. Daniel Hernandez, with La Maestra Community Health Centers, commented on the Board's process for scoring and ranking CDBG applications and noted that, while there was room for improvements as with any new process, the Board had followed a fair process that had been fully open to the public.

Discussion and Action Items

- Item 6a – Presentation on Draft Fiscal Year 2014 Annual Action Plan: Staff presented the Draft Fiscal Year 2014 Annual Action Plan, which was available for public review and comment from April 2 through May 1, 2013. The plan is the yearly update to the City's 5-Year Consolidated Plan and identifies the projects and programs proposed to be funded by the following federal programs: Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program, HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME), Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) Program, and Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) Program. The Annual Action Plan is subject to review and approval by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The draft plan was available online at <http://www.sandiego.gov/cdbg/general/plansreports.shtml>. After the presentation, staff received comments and questions from the following persons on the draft plan:
 - Mr. McNamara, Board Member, provided detailed comments on the draft plan. Among his comments were: mentioning the loss of redevelopment funding for affordable housing production; expanding the description on Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Areas (NRSAs) and their advantages; increasing

coordination between the City and the San Diego Housing Commission on lead abatement and eliminating CDBG funding for lead abatement efforts that are an ongoing City responsibility; and including CDBG fund leveraging information.

- Mr. Friberg, Board Member, asked for clarification on the process for finalizing the Annual Action Plan and on the San Diego Housing Commission's role in approving the final version. Staff provided a summary of the remaining steps prior to submission of the plan to HUD.
- Ms. Granowitz, Board Member, asked about the involvement of the San Diego Housing Commission in approving the plan. Staff responded that the City Council, sitting as the Housing Authority, oversees the San Diego Housing Commission and, therefore, indirectly acts on behalf of the San Diego Housing Commission to approve the Annual Action Plan.
- Mr. de Castro, Board Member, asked about the coordination between City staff and San Diego Housing Commission and County of San Diego staff in preparing the Annual Action Plan. Staff noted that, while the CDBG Program Office manages the process and production of the Annual Action Plan, its development constitutes an iterative process with full participation from others within the City, as well as the San Diego Housing Commission and County of San Diego.
- There was an inquiry on the extension of the Veterans shelter through the end of Fiscal Year 2014.

Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned 9:26 a.m.